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FROZEN WARMWATER SHRIMP
FROM CHINA, ECUADOR, INDIA, MALAYSIA, AND VIETNAM
DO NOT INJURE U.S. INDUSTRY, SAYS USITC

The United States International Trade Commission (USITC) today determined that a U.S. industry is neither materially injured nor threatened with material injury by reason of imports of frozen warmwater shrimp from China, Ecuador, India, Malaysia, and Vietnam that the U.S. Department of Commerce (Commerce) has determined are subsidized.

Commissioners Daniel R. Pearson, Dean A. Pinkert, David S. Johanson, and Meredith M. Broadbent voted in the negative. Chairman Irving A. Williamson and Commissioner Shara L. Aranoff voted in the affirmative.

As a result of the USITC’s negative determinations, Commerce will not issue countervailing duty orders on imports of these products from China, Ecuador, India, Malaysia, and Vietnam.

The Commission’s public report *Frozen Warmwater Shrimp from China, Ecuador, India, Malaysia, and Vietnam* (Investigation Nos. 701-TA-491-493, 495, and 497 (Final), USITC Publication 4429, October 2013) will contain the views of the Commissioners and information developed during the investigations.

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FACTUAL HIGHLIGHTS

Frozen Warmwater Shrimp from China, Ecuador, India, Malaysia, and Vietnam
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Product Description: Certain frozen warmwater shrimp and prawns, whether wild-caught (ocean harvested) or farm-raised (produced by aquaculture), head-on or head-off, shell-on or peeled, tail-on or tail-off, deveined or not deveined, cooked or raw, or otherwise processed in frozen form, regardless of size. The products described may be processed from any species of warmwater shrimp and prawns. Frozen shrimp and prawns that are packed with marinade, spices or sauce are included in the scope. In addition, food preparations (including dusted shrimp), which are not “prepared meals,” that contain more than 20 percent by weight of shrimp or prawn are also included in the scope. Excluded from the scope are: (1) breaded shrimp and prawns; (2) shrimp and prawns generally classified in the *Pandalidae* family and commonly referred to as coldwater shrimp, in any state of processing; (3) fresh shrimp and prawns whether shell-on or peeled; (4) shrimp and prawns in prepared meals; (5) dried shrimp and prawns; (6) canned warmwater shrimp and prawns; and (7) certain “battered shrimp.” The predominant end-use for warmwater shrimp and prawns is human consumption.

Status of Proceedings:

1. Type of investigations: Final countervailing duty.
2. Petitioner: Coalition of Gulf Shrimp Industries, Biloxi, MS.
3. Investigations instituted by the USITC: December 28, 2012.
4. USITC hearing: August 13, 2013.
5. USITC vote: September 20, 2013.
6. USITC notification to the U.S. Department of Commerce: October 1, 2013.

U.S. Industry:

1. Number of producers (processors) in 2012: 48.
2. Location of producers’ plants: Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Texas.
3. Employment of production and related workers in 2012: 2,050.
4. Apparent U.S. consumption in 2011: 1.3 billion pounds.
5. Ratio of the value of subject imports to apparent U.S. consumption in 2011: 35.7 percent.

U.S. Imports in 2012:

1. From the subject countries during 2012: \$1.9 billion.
2. From other countries during 2012: \$2.4 billion.
3. Leading sources during 2012: Thailand, Indonesia, India, Ecuador, Vietnam, Malaysia, China, Mexico (in terms of total value).